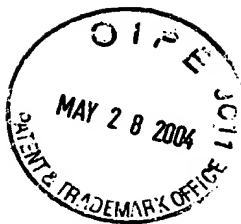


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GROUP ART UNIT: 3762

SERIAL NO.: 09/830,239

EXAMINER: Frances P. Otopeza

FILED: August 20, 2001

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TITLE: "A HOUSING, WITH A TUBULAR CONNECTOR, FOR A HEART SIMULATOR"
AMENDMENT "C"Commissioner for Patents
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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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